Screening of Feature Films on T.V. on Sunday

898. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any set policy or guidelines in respect of screening feature films on TV on Sundays;

(b) whether films of a few regional languages only are shown on T.V.;

(c) whether on 18th March, 1990 a Marathi film was to be shown on T.V. network; and

(d) whether this film was telecast, if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. However, a Marathi film 'Pathlaag' was tentatively allotted for telecast on March 11, 1990. It could not be eventually telecast as the negatives of this film were found to have been damaged.

Annual Traffic tax on old vehicles

899. SHRI SHAMIM HASHMI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that withdrawal of payment of annual traffic tax on old vehicles will lead to further lawlessness and loss of revenue and control;

(b) whether this has been effected so as to reduce load on the traffic police;

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(c) whether Government propose to review the entire traffic problem involvement of motivated NGOs?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI K. P. UNNIKRISHNAN): (a) and (b) Presumably the reference is to the system of one time tax on vehicles replacing the earlier system of annual payment of motor vehicles taxes. The new system envisages lump sum payment at the initial stage of registration of a vehicle in Delhi. If a vehicle owner has already paid tax for a period of ten years, he is exempted from any payment in future. The new system of advanced collection would eliminate revenue leakage through tax evasion. It will not lead to lawlessness. The system has been introduced to simplify the system of tax collection and to benefit the vehicle owners.

(c) No such list is maintained by Delhi Police. However, the prescribed record of registered vehicles is kept by Directorate of Transport, Delhi Administration.

(d) There is no such specific proposal. The Delhi Administration is keeping the traffic problems of Delhi under constant review.

महाराष्ट्र में टेलीफोन कनेक्शनों के लिये प्रतीक्षा-सूची

900. **श्री विश्वासराव रामराव पाटिल:** क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) 31 मार्च, 1990 की स्थिति के अनुसार महाराष्ट्र मे टेलीफोन कनेक्शनों के लिये जिलावार और केन्द्रवार कितने आवेदन प्रतीक्षा सूची मे पंजीकृत किये गये है ; और

(ख) प्रतीक्षा सूची में सभी आवेदनों को निपटने के लिये टेलीफोन कनेक्शनों की क्षमता मे वृद्धि करने हेतु अपनाये गये उपायों का ब्यौरा क्या है ?